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SUBJECT:PRESS SUMMARY - JULY 9

1. NYT (PAGE 8) UPI FROM MOSCOW REPORTS SOVIET ASTRO-NAUTS FEEL FINE AND BEGIN SPACE EXPERIMENTS.
2. SUN (PAGE 1) REPORTS SOVIET UNION'S TWO TALL SHIPS BELEAGUED BY INSULTS AND THREATS HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM AMERICA'S BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AND SET SAIL FOR HOME. ALSO IN MOST OTHER PAPERS.
3. WP (PAGE 2) BRIEF REUTERS ITEM FROM MOSCOW SAYS PRAVDA DESCRIBED AS A BLUFF PROSPECTS HELD OUT BY CHINA FOR INCREASED OIL DELIVERIES TO JAPAN TO BALANCE GROWING TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.
4. WP (PAGE 4) MURREY MARDER REPORTS AN INDOCTRINATION COURSE IN "THE MYSTERIOUS MULTI-LEVEL GAME CALLED THE AMERICAN ELECTIONS" IS BEING SPREAD BEFORE THE SOVIET PEOPLE BY THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT PUBLICATION NEDELYA.
5. WP (PAGE 16) AROUND WORLD ITEM FROM MOSCOW SAYS RED UNCLASSIFIED

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STAR REPORTED SOVIET DEFENSE MINISTER TOLD A GROUP OF COM-

MUNIST PARTY OFFICIALS WHO WORK WITH THE ARMED FORCES  
THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR TIGHTER DISCIPLINE IN THE ARMED  
FORCES AND ABOARD SOVIET WARSHIPS.

6. WP (PAGE 20) EGIL PATTERSON FROM TROMOSE, NORWAY  
REPORTS THAT 66-YEAR-OLD RETIRED NEW YORK STOCKBROKER IS  
TRYING TO SAIL 3,200 MILES ACROSS THE TOP OF THE WORLD  
IN A 41-FOOT SAILBOAT, AND THE SOVIETS WANT HIM TO TURN  
BACK AND ALTHOUGH HIS TRIP HAS NOT CREATED DIPLOMATIC  
DIFFICULTIES AS SUCH, IT HAS INVOLVED THE U.S. EMBASSIES  
IN MOSCOW AND OSLO IN PASSING ON THE SOVIETS' REQUEST  
THAT HE TURN BACK DUE TO ICE DANGER.

7. WP (OP-ED PAGE) EDIT "THAT RUSSIAN RADIATION" SAYS  
ATTITUDE OF DEPARTMENT TOWARD POSSIBLY HARMFUL RADIATION  
OF EMBASSY "DEFIES BELIEF" AND "IN THE ABSENCE OF CON-  
CLUSIVE MEDICAL EVIDENCE TO THE CONTRARY, IT HAS TO BE  
ASSUMED THAT THE RUSSIANS ARE ENDANGERING THE HEALTH, NOT  
TO SAY THE LIVES, OF AMERICAN CITIZENS, AND THEY SHOULD  
NOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE DOING IT".

8. SUN (PAGE 2) HAL PIPER SAYS MUSCOVITES HAVE HEARD  
ABOUT RECORD HEAT AND DROUGHT WHICH IS RUINING WESTERN  
EUROPE'S SUMMER, AND WISH THEY COULD SHARE IT GIVEN THEIR  
RECORD COLD AND WET SUMMER.

9. SUN (PAGE 2) AP REPORTS ANOTHER ONE MILLION METRIC  
TONS OF U.S. GRAIN, VALUED AT ESTIMATED 141 MILLION DOLLARS  
HAS BEEN SOLD TO SOVIET UNION, TWO GRAIN EXPORT COMPANIES  
ANNOUNCED. ALSO OTHER PAPERS.

10. STAR (PAGE 3) HENRY BRADSHER SAYS RUSSIAN BUYING  
OF U.S. GRAIN IS ON SCHEDULE. KISSINGER

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